Mr. Nixon, Then and Now

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During these times of constitutional crisis and corruption in the nation's highest offices, it is somewhat reassuring to realize that this is not the first time that the legitimacy of our national leadership has been questioned.

Before he fired Mr. Cox and reinstated his own foxes to guard the chicken coop, President Nixon would have done well to heed the advice offered by a leading Republican over twenty years ago regarding the problem of corruption in the Truman Administration.

"You wouldn't trust a man who made the mess to clean it up—and that's Truman. And by the same token, you can't trust the man who was picked by the man that made the mess to clean it up—and that's Stevenson."

This is an excerpt from a speech delivered by Vice-Presidential candidate Richard Nixon in 1952. Where is the "old Nixon" now that we need him?

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